

REMARKS

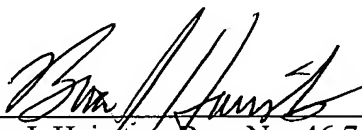
Claims 1-9 and 12-15 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 3-9 and 12-15 have been amended. Claims 10-11 have been canceled. Claims 3-9 and 13-14 have been amended to avoid multiple dependencies. Claims 10-12 have been amended so as not to recite the specification and figures. No new matter has been added.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21547-00298-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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